

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace paragraph [0006] with the following amended paragraph:

[0006] In order to achieve this object, the combinations of features specified in the patent claims ~~1 and 10~~ are proposed. Advantageous embodiments and further refinements of the invention result from the dependent claims.

Please replace paragraph [0012] with the following amended paragraph:

[0012] The invention is explained below in more detail by reference to an embodiment which is illustrated schematically in the drawing, in which:

Figure 1 shows the side view of an exhaust gas turbocharger with parts of a bearing housing with a partially sectional view of the upper part of the bearing of the shaft and with flow ducts, provided in the bearing housing, for cooling air to be applied to the bearings first to the turbine side bearing and subsequently to the compressor side bearing, and

Figure 2 shows the side view of an exhaust gas turbocharger similar to Figure 1, except that cooling air is supplied to both bearings simultaneously via compressed air flow ducts (62, 62') and exits via outlet openings (63, 63', 66).